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Dear Mr. Jamison:

DECISION TO PURSUE CLOSURE OF THE 600 AREA PURGEWATER STORAGE AND TREATMENT FACILITY (TS-6-1)

As requested by the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) during the August 28, 2003, Tri-Party Agreement Project Manager's Meeting for the 600 Area Purgewater Storage and Treatment Facility, this letter documents the decision to pursue closure of the subject Hanford Facility Treatment, Storage, and/or Disposal unit. The U.S Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office looks forward to working with Ecology in upcoming workshops to determine how to plan and schedule this activity. If you have any questions, please call Tony McKarns, of my staff, on (509) 376-8981.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joel Hebdon".

Joel Hebdon, Director  
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